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In re application of: Joseph P. Fernando et al.

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For: EXTENSIBLE OBJECT MODEL

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## AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Office Action mailed **February 14, 2001**, in conjunction with the above-captioned patent application, and having a statutory period for response of **May 14, 2001**, with a three month extension of time to **August 14, 2001**, please reconsider the above-captioned patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claim to appear as follows: